

# County of Los Angeles CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

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June 1, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

## EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT FOR SPECIAL LEGAL SERVICES -- OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW (ALL DISTRICTS AFFECTED) (3 VOTES)

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

 Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute a 90-day extension to the Agreement with Michael J. Gennaco, under the current terms and conditions of the Agreement, to fulfill the position of Chief Attorney for the Office of Independent Review for the Sheriff's Department.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Consistent with your Board's authorization, an Agreement was executed on April 27, 2001 with Michael J. Gennaco to perform the services of Chief Attorney for the Office of Independent Review (OIR) for the Sheriff's Department. OIR ensures fair, thorough, and impartial investigations of allegations of intra-departmental misconduct in the Sheriff's Department, including those which constitute criminal conduct.

The current Agreement with Mr. Gennaco expires on June 3, 2004. In order to provide additional time for consideration or a new Agreement, we are recommending that the existing Agreement be extended for 90 days, and that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute this extension under the terms and conditions of the current Agreement.

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#### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This action is consistent with the Strategic Plan Goal of <u>Organizational Effectiveness</u>: Ensure that service delivery systems are efficient, effective and goal-oriented.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The existing Agreement provides that Mr. Gennaco is compensated at the annual rate of \$200,000 for all services consistent with Chief Attorney of OIR, plus actual expenses. Funding is included in the Sheriff's Department budget for the prorated amount of the additional 90 days (\$50,000).

### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

OIR provides independent civilian oversight of Sheriff's Department administrative and criminal investigations, makes recommendations regarding the outcome of administrative investigations, and provides independent counsel to the Board of Supervisors and the Sheriff concerning Sheriff's Department internal investigations.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Authorization for the CAO to extend the current Agreement for OIR services will ensure uninterrupted provision of this critical function.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID E. JANSSEN

Chief Administrative Officer

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**County Counsel**